

oratory, including preparation of plans and specifications, remodeling of buildings, and site improvement, but excluding the cost of acquisition of land.

**§ 278a. Annual report to Congress; examination of books and accounts**

The Gorgas Memorial Institute shall make to Congress, on April 1 of each year, a full report of the operation and work of the Gorgas Memorial Laboratory during the fiscal year ending the preceding September 30, and shall include therewith a complete statement of the receipts and expenditures of said laboratory for such fiscal year. The books and accounts of the Gorgas Memorial Laboratory shall at all times be open to examination by the Comptroller General of the United States.

(May 7, 1928, ch. 505, § 3, 45 Stat. 491; Pub. L. 95-426, title VII, § 701(a), Oct. 7, 1978, 92 Stat. 991.)

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-426 substituted “on April 1 of each year” and “during the fiscal year ending the preceding September 30” for “annually, on the first Monday in December” and “up to the first of November next preceding”, respectively.

TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions in the first sentence of this section relating to annual report to Congress, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 174 of House Document No. 103-7.

**§ 278b. Repealed. Pub. L. 95-426, title VII, § 701(b), Oct. 7, 1978, 92 Stat. 991**

Section, act June 28, 1944, ch. 294, title I, 58 Stat. 402, related to a report to Congress of the operation and work of the laboratory, including the statement of the receipts and expenditures, such a report to cover a fiscal year period ending on June 30 of the calendar year immediately preceding the convening of each such session. Similar provisions were contained in the following prior acts:

July 1, 1943, ch. 182, title I, 57 Stat. 277.  
 July 2, 1942, ch. 472, title I, 56 Stat. 474.  
 June 28, 1941, ch. 258, title I, 55 Stat. 271.  
 May 14, 1940, ch. 189, title I, 54 Stat. 187.  
 June 29, 1939, ch. 248, 53 Stat. 891.  
 Apr. 27, 1938, ch. 180, title I, 52 Stat. 253.  
 June 16, 1937, ch. 359, title I, 50 Stat. 267.

SUBCHAPTER VI—UNITED NATIONS FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION

**§ 279. United States membership in the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization**

The President is hereby authorized to accept membership for the United States in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (hereinafter referred to as the “Organization”) the Constitution of which is set forth in appendix I of the First Report to the Governments of the United Nations by the Interim Commission on Food and Agriculture, dated August 1, 1944.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, § 1, 59 Stat. 529.)

**§ 279a. Authorization of appropriations for payment of United States expenses in Organization; limitation of contributions**

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise

appropriated, such sums as may be required for expenditure under the direction of the Secretary of State, for the payment by the United States of its proportionate share in the expenses of the Organization: *Provided*, That the percentage contribution of the United States to the total annual budget of the Organization shall not exceed 33.33 per centum.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, § 2, 59 Stat. 529; Sept. 21, 1950, ch. 976, § 1(b), 64 Stat. 902; Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 937, title IV, § 421, as added July 18, 1956, ch. 627, § 8(n), 70 Stat. 559; Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 937, title V, § 544(b), as added Pub. L. 85-141, § 11(b)(2), Aug. 14, 1957, 71 Stat. 365; Pub. L. 87-195, pt. IV, § 709, Sept. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 465.)

AMENDMENTS

1961—Pub. L. 87-195 struck out provisions which limited the annual appropriations to not more than \$3,000,000.

1957—Pub. L. 85-141, § 11(b)(2), added section 544(b) to act August 26, 1954, which section 544(b) amended this section by increasing the maximum percentage contribution from 31.5 to 33.33 per centum.

1956—Act July 18, 1956, increased authorized annual appropriation from \$2,000,000, to \$3,000,000, and inserted provisions limiting percentage contribution of United States to total annual budget to not more than 31.5 per centum.

1950—Joint Res. Sept. 21, 1950, increased authorized annual appropriation from \$1,250,000 to \$2,000,000.

REPEALS

Section 709 of Pub. L. 87-195, cited as a credit to this section, was repealed by section 401 of Pub. L. 87-565, pt. IV, Aug. 1, 1962, 76 Stat. 263, except insofar as section 709 affected this section.

Section 544(b) of act Aug. 26, 1954, cited as a credit to this section, was repealed by Pub. L. 85-477, ch. IV, § 401(h), June 30, 1958, 72 Stat. 270, except insofar as such section 544(b) affected this section.

Section 421 of act August 26, 1954, cited as a credit to this section was repealed by section 8(n) of Pub. L. 85-141, except insofar as section 421 affected this section.

SIMILAR PROVISIONS

Similar provisions were contained in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1946, act July 5, 1946, ch. 541, title I, 60 Stat. 453.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS

Annual appropriations to meet the obligations of membership in various international organizations were contained in acts listed in a note set out under section 269a of this title.

LIMITATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions by United States, except for special projects, limited to amount provided by Joint Res. Sept. 21, 1950, consent by State Department and reports to Congress, see section 262a of this title.

**§ 279b. Integration of International Institute of Agriculture with Organization**

In adopting this subchapter, it is the sense of the Congress that the Government of the United States should use its best efforts to bring about, as soon as practicable, the integration of the functions and the resources of the International Institute of Agriculture with those of the Organization, in a legal and orderly manner, to effect one united institution in such form as to provide an adequate research, informational, and statistical service for the industry of agriculture.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, §3, 59 Stat. 530.)

**§ 279c. Congressional authority necessary for acceptance of new obligations in Organization**

Unless Congress by law authorizes such action, neither the President nor any person or agency shall on behalf of the United States accept any amendment under paragraph 1 of article XX of the Constitution of the Organization involving any new obligation for the United States.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, §4, 59 Stat. 530.)

**§ 279d. Limitation on power of Conference to impose new obligations on United States**

In adopting this subchapter the Congress does so with the understanding that paragraph 2 of article XIII does not authorize the Conference of the Organization to so modify the provisions of its Constitution as to involve any new obligation for the United States.

(July 31, 1945, ch. 342, §5, 59 Stat. 530.)

SUBCHAPTER VII—SOUTH PACIFIC COMMISSION

**§ 280. Representation in South Pacific Commission; appointment of commissioners and alternates**

The President is hereby authorized to accept membership for the United States in the South Pacific Commission, created by the Agreement Establishing the South Pacific Commission, signed on February 6, 1947, at Canberra, Australia, by delegates representing the Governments of Australia, the French Republic, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America, and to appoint the United States Commissioners, and their alternates, thereto.

(Jan. 28, 1948, ch. 38, §1, 62 Stat. 15.)

PURPOSE OF COMMISSION

Act Jan. 28, 1948, ch. 38, 62 Stat. 15, provided that: "Whereas delegates representing the Governments of Australia, the French Republic, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, New Zealand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America attended the South Seas Conference held at Canberra, Australia, and signed an 'Agreement Establishing the South Pacific Commission' on February 6, 1947; and

"Whereas the purpose of the South Pacific Commission is to encourage and strengthen international cooperation in promoting the economic and social welfare and advancement of the non-self-governing territories in the South Pacific in accordance with the principles set forth in Chapter XI of the Charter of the United Nations, thereby contributing to the maintenance of international peace and security: Therefore be it".

**§ 280a. Definitions**

When used in this subchapter—

(1) the term "Secretary" means the Secretary of State;

(2) the term "Government agency" means any department, independent establishment, or other agency of the Government of the United States, or any corporation wholly owned by the Government of the United States; and

(3) the term "Commission" means the South Pacific Commission.

(Jan. 28, 1948, ch. 38, §2, 62 Stat. 15.)

**§ 280b. Authorization of appropriations**

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of State, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated—

(a) such<sup>1</sup> sums as may be required annually for the payment by the United States of its proportionate share of the expenses of the Commission and its auxiliary and subsidiary bodies, in accordance with article XIV of the agreement establishing the South Pacific Commission, as amended, except that in no event shall that payment for any fiscal year of the Commission exceed 20 per centum of all expenses apportioned among participating governments of the Commission for that year.

(b) Such additional sums as may be needed for the payment of all necessary expenses incident to participation by the United States in the activities of the Commission, including salaries of the United States Commissioners, their alternates, and appropriate staff, without regard to the civil-service laws and chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5; personal services in the District of Columbia; services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5; under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of State may prescribe, allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light and cost-of-living allowances to persons temporarily stationed abroad; hire of passenger motor vehicles and other local transportation; printing and binding without regard to section 501 of title 44 and section 6101 of title 41; and such other expenses as the Secretary of State finds necessary to participation by the United States in the activities of the Commission: *Provided*, That the provisions of section 287r of this title, and regulations thereunder, applicable to expenses incurred pursuant to subchapter XVII of this chapter shall be applicable to any expenses incurred pursuant to this paragraph.

(Jan. 28, 1948, ch. 38, §3, 62 Stat. 15; Oct. 28, 1949, ch. 782, title II, §202(2), title XI, §1106(a), 63 Stat. 954, 972; Sept. 21, 1950, ch. 976, §1(c), 64 Stat. 902; Pub. L. 86-472, ch. VI, §603, May 14, 1960, 74 Stat. 141; Pub. L. 88-263, Jan. 31, 1964, 78 Stat. 7; Pub. L. 89-91, July 27, 1965, 79 Stat. 281; Pub. L. 91-632, Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1876; Pub. L. 92-490, Oct. 13, 1972, 86 Stat. 808.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Subchapter XVII [§287m et seq.] of this chapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original a reference to the Act of July 30, 1946 (Public Law 565, Seventy-ninth Congress).

CODIFICATION

In subsec. (b), "chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5" and "section 3109 of title 5" substituted for "the Classification Act of 1949" and "section 15 of Public Law 600, Seventy-ninth Congress [5 U.S.C. 55a]", respectively, on authority of Pub. L. 89-554, §7(b), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 631, which Act enacted Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be capitalized.